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SUBJECT: Fluid Milk and Other Food Components/Menu Items in Reimbursable Lunches

This memo transmits information from a recent USDA memo regarding fluid milk in reimbursable lunches. To read the complete memo follow the link provided.

Under all menu planning approaches, fluid milk is a separate food component/menu item. It may not be presented as one choice in a beverage category; for instance, milk may not be paired with juice. Nor may milk be combined as one choice in a list of other food items or side dishes; for example, a menu that states "Choose one: 1% chocolate milk, 1.5% white milk, carrot sticks, or apple" is not acceptable. The "offer versus serve" provisions under any menu planning approach allow a student to decline fluid milk. However, the student's choice to decline milk cannot then enable the student to take some other item in its place.

http://www.fns.usda.gov/cnd/Governance/Policy-Memos/2007/SP_06-2007.pdf

If you have questions or need assistance, please contact the school nutrition program specialist assigned to your division or Lynne Fellin, acting director of school nutrition programs, at (804) 225-2074.

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